

# Appendix A: Unmet Data Needs

The following data are not currently collected. The availability of these data, many of which reflect the asset-based approach of the Shared Vision framework, would enhance our understanding of youth well being in Massachusetts.

## **INTRODUCTION: WHO ARE THE YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS OF MASSACHUSETTS**

- Demographics of youth refugee and immigrant populations
- Specific food insecurity estimates for Massachusetts communities and populations that are most at-risk.

## **GOAL 1: PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH**

- The average amount of physical activity per week
- The number of hours of school-based physical education
- Inventory of goods available in school vending machines
- The a la carte and competitive foods served in school cafeterias
- Percent of youth with positive self-esteem
- Percent of youth who have sense of purpose/feel their life has a purpose
- Percent of youth who are optimistic about their personal future

## **GOAL 2: RELATIONSHIPS**

- Percent of youth who communicate positively with their parent(s)
- Percent of youth who feel they have caring neighbors
- Percent of youth who feel they have caring extended families
- Percent of youth who feel they have caring schools
- Percent of youth whose family has clear boundaries—rules, consequences and monitoring of where youth goes
- Percent of youth who have positive peer influence—close friends who model responsible behaviors
- Percent of youth who feel parents and teachers, other adults in their lives have high expectations for them

## **GOAL 4: EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY**

- Labor market outcomes including: labor force participation rate; employment/unemployment rate; wage rate; job retention rate; employment statistics by occupational area or industry sector

- Percent of youth who participate in programs with life-skills training
- Library utilization
- Park space/recreation opportunities
- Percent of youth with parent(s) who are actively involved in helping them succeed in school
- Percent of youth who spend time engaging in creative activities
- Percent of youth motivated to do well in school
- Percent of youth who care about their school
- Percent of youth with/or gaining multicultural understanding

**GOAL 5: OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

- Percentage of youth involved in programs and percentage who participate in program planning and implementation
- Percentage of youth programs that address issues for gay, lesbian, and bisexual youth
- Percentage of youth programs that address cultural competency
- Percentage of youth who put high value on helping others
- Percentage of young adults who participate in organized mentoring programs
- Percentage of youth with disabilities and chronic conditions involved in youth programs
- Percentage of young adults who are registered to vote and who do vote

## Appendix B: Resources

Building Partnerships for Youth  
<http://msg.calsnet.arizona.edu/fcs/index.cfm>

Social Development Strategy/Prevention Science/Communities that Care Prevention Science  
[http://www.drp.org/prev\\_sci/prev\\_sci.html](http://www.drp.org/prev_sci/prev_sci.html)  
<http://www.drp.org/ctc/CTC.html>

AED's Center for Youth Development and Research Policy  
<http://www.aed.org/us/cyd/>

Search Institute  
<http://www.search-institute.org/>

America's Promise  
<http://www.americaspromise.org/>  
<http://www.americaspromise.org/fivepromises/whymatter.cfm>  
<http://www.americaspromise.org/files/fivePromises/FivePromisesChildrenYouth.pdf>

### GOVERNMENT

America's Promise  
(703) 684-4500  
<http://www.americaspromise.org/>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion  
Division of Adolescent and School Health  
<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/>

Massachusetts Department of Education  
Learning Support Services  
<http://www.doe.mass.edu/lss/>

Massachusetts Division of Medical Assistance  
(800) 841-2900  
<http://www.state.ma.us/dma/>

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health  
(617) 727-5600  
<http://www.state.ma.us/eohhs/agencies/dmh.htm>

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Massachusetts Department of Mental Retardation  
(617) 727-5608  
<http://www.dmr.state.ma.us/>

Massachusetts Office on Disability  
<http://www.state.ma.us/mod/>

Massachusetts Department of Public Health  
(617) 624-6000  
[www.state.ma.us/dph](http://www.state.ma.us/dph)

Massachusetts Department Of Social Services  
(617) 748-2000  
<http://www.state.ma.us/dss/>

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance  
<http://www.state.ma.us/dta/>

Massachusetts Department of Youth Services  
(617) 727-7575  
<http://www.state.ma.us/eohhs/agencies/dys.htm>

Massachusetts Independent Living Centers  
<http://www.state.ma.us/mrc/il/ilcenters.htm>

U.S. Department of Education  
21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers  
<http://www.ed.gov/21stcclc/>

U.S. Health and Human Services  
Administration on Children, Youth and Families  
Family and Youth Services Bureau  
Clearinghouse on Families and Youth (lists lots of YD resources)  
(301) 608-8098  
<http://www.ncfy.com/>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation  
<http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/hsp/PositiveYouthDev99/>

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Center for Youth Development and Policy Research  
(202) 884-8267  
<http://www.aed.org/us/cyd/>

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Advocates for Youth  
(202) 347-5700  
<http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/>

AIDS Action Committee  
(617) 437-6200  
<http://www.aac.org/>

American Academy of Pediatrics  
(847) 434-4000  
[www.aap.org](http://www.aap.org)

American Psychological Association  
(800) 374-2721  
[www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org)

American Youth Policy Forum  
(202) 775-9731  
<http://www.aypf.org/>

Annie E. Casey Foundation  
(410) 547-6600  
<http://www.aecf.org/>

American Psychological Association  
<http://www.apa.org/>

At The Table  
<http://www.AttheTable.org/>

Boston Leadership Education in Adolescent Health  
<http://www.bostonleah.org/>

Boys and Girls Clubs of America  
New England Regional Office, (508) 588-2353  
<http://www.bgca.org/>

Boy Scouts  
(617) 723-0007 or (781) 721-6704  
[www.council@bsaboston.org](mailto:www.council@bsaboston.org)

Carnegie Corporation  
(212) 371-3200  
<http://www.carnegie.org/>

Child Trends  
(202) 362-5580

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<http://www.childtrends.org/HomePg.asp>

Child Welfare League of America

(202) 638-2952

<http://www.cwla.org/>

Children's Defense Fund

(202) 628-8787

[www.childdefensefund.org](http://www.childdefensefund.org)

Children's Hospital Boston

(617) 355-6000

<http://web1.tch.harvard.edu/>

Commonwealth Corporation/Center for Youth Development and Education

(617) 727-8158

<http://www.commcorp.org/CYDE/default.htm>

Girls Incorporated

(800) 374-4475

[www.girlsinc.org](http://www.girlsinc.org)

Girl Scouts

[www.girlscouts.org](http://www.girlscouts.org)

Kids Health

[www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org)

Massachusetts Alliance on Teen Pregnancy

(617) 482-9122

<http://www.youngfamilies.org/>

Massachusetts 4-H

<http://www.mass4h.org/>

Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research (MISER)

<http://www.umass.edu/miser/>

Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association

(508) 541-7997

<http://www.miaa.net/>

Massachusetts Mentoring Partnership

(617) 695-1200

<http://www.massmentoring.org/>

National Adolescent Health Information Center

(415) 502-4856

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<http://youth.ucsf.edu/nahic/>

National Assembly of Health & Human Service Organizations

(202) 347-2080

<http://www.nassembly.org/nassembly/>

National Institute on Out-Of-School Time

Wellesley Centers for Women

(781) 283-2547

<http://www.niost.org/>

National Network for Youth

(202) 783-7949

<http://www.nn4youth.org/>

National Youth Advocacy Coalition

<http://www.nyacyouth.org/>

National Youth Development Information Center

(877) NYDIC-4-U

<http://www.nydic.org/>

National Youth Leadership Council

(651) 631-3672

<http://www.nylc.org/>

New England Medical Center

(617) 636-5000

<http://www.nemc.org/home/>

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)

(202) 467-8180

<http://www.pflag.org/>

Prevention Science: Communities That Care

(877) 896-8532

<http://www.drp.org/ctc/CTC.html>

The Forum for Youth Investment

(301) 270-6250

<http://www.forumforyouthinvestment.org/>

The Search Institute

(800) 888-7828

<http://www.search-institute.org/>

Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS)

(212) 819-9770

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(202) 265-2405

<http://www.siecus.org/>

Youth Leadership Institute

(415) 836-9160

<http://www.yli.org/home.htm>

Youth Service America

(202) 296-2992

<http://www.ysa.org/>



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